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1. "The Debica Aircraft Factory is actually located in Mielec but it is commonly known to the local inhabitants as the Debica Aircraft Factory. Final assembly of Mig-15 is being done at Mielec. Previously the PZDL model was assembled at this plant and now (1953) the latest models of Soviet planes are being assembled there. According to latest information (July 1953) the plant has expanded to twice its earlier size. I do not know the actual production but it is large because the plant employs three 8-hour shifts.

2. "The Rzeszow Aero-Engine Plant began producing jet engines immediately after World War II (September 1945). This plant formerly manufactured engines for PZDL aircraft. At the present, engines for all models are being made. This plant also operates on three shifts.

3. "The Marysin Aircraft Factory is located on the outskirts of Mielec (approximately 17 miles) and was constructed in 1933. It was built specifically to manufacture the PZDL aircraft, however, from information received in 1946, I understand that this model has been discontinued since the Soviet occupation.

4. "The gasoline refinery in Moscice, near Tarnow, is actually a natural gas refinery. Large petroleum manufacturing facilities are located at Jaslo, near Pilznym. The petroleum refinery in Jaslo could be a synthetic refinery as large coal deposits are in the vicinity and my cousin is employed as an engineer in what he calls "a synthetic gasoline refinery".

5. "Synthetic rubber is manufactured at the Debica plant. This factory has been in operation since 1936 and has used alcohol as its source of raw material. The synthetic rubber plant at Debica is not the Stomil rubber tire plant and is located one and one-half miles from the Debica railroad station and one and one-half miles from Grabin. It is located approximately half way between these two points. According to information, all sizes of tires are produced here and their destination, without exception, is the USSR.

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6. "The Stomil Chemical Factory is located approximately one to two kilometers from Debica. It is also known as the Stomil rubber tire plant. From additional observances and from later (1953) information, the factory manufactured all sizes of tires.

7. "Prior to World War II, the Moscice synthetic plant synthesized fertilizer only. Now its entire production is devoted to carbon black. None of the equipment in Moscice was destroyed during World War II although the surrounding residential area was severely damaged. The Soviets dismantled all of the machinery and shipped it to the USSR but according to letters received in 1946 and information from people who left that area at a later date than I, all of the machinery and equipment was returned. Also according to letters (1946), Moscice has been completely rebuilt.

8. "The Lignoza Metals Factory is located approximately five miles from Debica in the direction of Rzeszow in Pustkow. It has been in operation since 1932 or 1933. Prior to World War II, it was called the Lignoza Metals Factory. It now has a different name but it is still known as Lignoza. This factory, according to information, is off limits to all unauthorized personnel and it employs only Polish political criminals and is directed and managed by the Soviets. It is said that the labor force totals approximately 25,000 persons who are employed on three shifts."

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